

**O-0413**  
**PARTICIPATE IN A HASTY SEARCH**

**CONDITIONS**

You are a member of a ground team assigned to perform a hasty search of a specific area.

**OJECTIVES**

Search an assigned area with minimal assistance and report back to the team leader with the results.

**TRAINING AND EVALUATION**

**Training Outline**

1. In the course of conducting a search ground team are often broken up into smaller teams of qualified personnel to search very specific areas. Typically this team is made up of two or three personnel with advanced training to be able to assist survivors if found before a full team arrives. The suggested make-up of this team is:

- a. A qualified Ground Team Leader. This person may be serving as the assistant team leader for the larger team, but has the necessary skills to lead the team if necessary.
- b. A Communicator. This person has the skills to communicate effectively with the larger team and mission base as necessary including finding better locations to transmit from.
- c. A Medic, First Responder or other higher qualified medical person. This person must have the basic skills to handle the initial medical problems encountered in victims before the larger team or local EMS arrives.

2. Many searches are resolved via hasty searches of "hot spots" assigned by the mission coordinator. Examples of these hot spots include:

- a. Trails, fire roads, or other access points to the area of high probability.
- b. Streams, rivers, drainages, lake edges and other runoff points.
- c. Routes towards known gathering places.
- d. Known visited places by the missing.
- e. Common aircraft accident locations.
- f. Other logical places the missing might go.

3. It is essential that this team maintain adequate communications. Though this team could probably deal with incidents effectively for the short term, members could easily be overwhelmed by tasks necessary to accomplishing the mission. Quick and effective requests for assistance should be accomplished as soon possible on finding the objective. Don't be a hero, lives are at stake.

### Additional Information

More detailed information on this topic is available in Chapter 7 of the Ground Team Member & Leader Reference Text.

### Evaluation Preparation

**Setup:** None

**Brief Student:** Brief the student that he is to be assigned to a hasty search of a specific area. Ask him to describe who is normally a part of a hasty search, and the areas normally searched by a hasty team.

### Evaluation

<u>Performance measures</u>	<u>Results</u>	
1. Student identifies the three key personnel/assignments of the normal team assigned to a hasty search.	P	F
2. The Student is able to list at least five common places that a hasty search may be used.	P	F

Student must receive a pass on all performance measures to qualify in this task. If the individual fails any measure, show what was done wrong and how to do it correctly.